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The New York apartment dweller can look forward with equanimity to October 1, even though his lease expires and circumstances force him to seek another abode. There are plenty of apartments to go around. There are even more apartments of the better class available than there are prospective tenants to fill them.

For those of limited means the problem will be more difficult, and the tighter the purse the more restricted the choice, but even then there will be no acute shortage and nothing like the critical condition that has existed in recent years. Real estate experts agree that the housing problem, as a general condition to be corrected, is virtually a thing of the past, and what mild stringency exists will be confined to restricted classes of apartments, more particularly those renting at the lowest prices.

The new apartments that have been put up have been constructed mainly by those who look for a good return on their investment and the result has been that the cheaper and moderate priced apartments have been somewhat neglected and have not materially increased over a year ago. To offset this condition there has been an enormous activity in the construction of small private houses and two family dwellings and these additions can be relied upon to absorb a great many of those who would ordinarily turn to apartments.

Not So Much Moving.

The tenant who has fared forth hoping to find a cheaper apartment has usually been disappointed, and for this reason real estate experts declare that there will be less shifting of population than is generally seen at the approach of moving day. Views of real estate brokers given below will show the conditions in different localities, but in the main it is safe to say that rents will remain what they were. The tendency towards reduction is seen chiefly in the older class of buildings and in the less fashionable streets, although several brokers who were questioned on the price situation declared that many of the newer apartments built with the idea of supplying an emergency at a high price as could be obtained would have to bring down their ideas to a reasonable level.

Only increases noticeable have been in apartments renting from \$16 to \$20 a room in the lower East Side and in certain parts of Brooklyn. In West Bronx, on the other hand, apartments of this type are renting for several dollars a room less than they were a few months ago. Brokers agree that the big demand throughout the five boroughs is for apartments of \$20 and \$30, and that the market for the higher type of buildings are going begging.

Rock Bottom Prices.

Some sections have undoubtedly been over built in the boom of the past year, and in these localities the tenants will find bargain prices prevailing. Generally speaking, however, prices show little variation from the rates prevailing throughout the year.

Rents in moderate priced apartments are about down to rock bottom, considering the high prices being paid for coal and the increased cost of service, according to one real estate authority in a position to be familiar with conditions in all parts of the city. Owners can't get much below \$10 a room for the type of apartment and get a legitimate return, he said, and he could not see how prices could recede much below the present level.

Many of the real estate dealers have been deprived of a brisk business because lessors preferred to remain in their present apartments when their expectations of wholesale rent reductions failed to materialize.

Labor troubles appear to be looming up in the building trades, but even if the "rickety" controversy should result in a cessation of work on apartment buildings now under construction, it would hardly affect the situation on October 1.

An extensive scale throughout the five boroughs during the last year, and a great many apartment houses and dwellings have already been completed. Queens Borough easily led in the number of buildings planned and the number of families provided for, with Brooklyn, The Bronx and Manhattan following in the order named.

The New Buildings.

The following table shows the number of plans filed for new apartments and dwellings in the five boroughs between January 1 and the latter part of July, with the number of families these buildings are intended to house.

Not all of these structures were commenced, of course, and a great many of them still remain uncompleted, but it is estimated by the Bureau of Buildings that at least 80 per cent are usually started within a few months of the time the plans are filed.

MANHATTAN			
Buildings	Families	Buildings	Families
1,720	10,700	104	5,345
2,100	12,600	28	34
1,100	6,600	130	5,577
1,100	6,600		
THE BRONX			
Buildings	Families	Buildings	Families
248	2,422	248	2,422
2,007	12,450		
BROOKLYN			
Buildings	Families	Buildings	Families
3,303	3,305	3,303	3,305
3,303	3,305		
QUEENS			
Buildings	Families	Buildings	Families
10,883	23,014		

Building operations in Richmond have been limited. In New Dorp, Dongan Hills, Tottenville and other places along the South Shore there is a great demand for dwellings and apartments, with no prospect of immediate reductions in rent.

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RABESIAN CHICKEN SELECT LEVY MAYOR OF SECOND AVE.

Duke of Essex Street Wins, 79-62, in New Vote After
Machiavellian Plot Gives Him Not Only the
Victor's Spoils But \$22 Food Bills.

The contested election of Joe Levy, Duke of Essex street, to the exalted office of Mayor of Second avenue was settled yesterday. There was a new election. It was held in Rabeles' restaurant, 40 Second avenue. The Duke won over Yussel Madinsky, 79-62.

Mr. Rabeles lost \$22 worth of roast chicken and duck that was about to be eaten by his patrons. After casting his ballot each voter passed out through the pantry, where the food is vied by the cashier before going on the table. Whether that has anything to do with it or not, the fact remains that Mr. Rabeles wants to know who is going to produce that \$22 for the roast chicken and duck.

"The Duke wins," said Mr. Madinsky last night, "and the Duke pays for the victor before the spoils and all the bills. To tell the truth I saw what was coming. I saw one of my constituents coming out of the restaurant picking his teeth. That settled it so far as I was concerned. I retired to my office."

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**NEGRO THEFT SUSPECT
MORE LIKE BOOTLEGER**

Alcohol He Had 'for Joints'
Gives Trail to Still.

Patrolman Savage of the Orange, N. Y., police force picked up the first negro he met Saturday night after a woman had reported to him that a negro had snatched her purse at Cleveland street and Park avenue. The negro gave his name as Frank Bennett of 267 Dodd street, Orange, and a package which he was carrying was found to contain a two quart bottle filled with a white liquid.

"What's this?" asked the policeman. "That's alcohol, cap'n. I rub my joints with it."

Questioned further, the suspect said he had taken the alcohol from a laboratory of Thomas A. Edison at West Orange, where he formerly was employed. He found that it was good to rub his joints and was on his way to taking a bath when detained.

Savage found a five gallon still and three gallons more of the same liquid in the negro's house and arrested him.

**HYLAN DISTRICT FIGHT
BRINGS ON WET PARADE**

Buckley Plans It as Blow to
Delany Leadership.

Michael F. Buckley, who is fighting William F. Delany for the Democratic leadership of Mayor Hylan's district in the Bushwick section of Brooklyn, said last night that arrangements had been made for a Wet parade in that part of the borough on September 10.

The plans, he said, were made at a recent meeting of the People's Democratic Club at the Twentieth Assembly district, at the headquarters of the club in the headquarters of Mayor Hylan. Several city and State officials have been invited to make addresses after the parade.

**FOUR MEN DROWNED
FROM AUTOMOBILE**

Car Plunges Into Erie Canal
at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Sept. 3.—A party of eight men returning from an outing in a small touring car ran off the road and plunged into the Erie Canal at Grace street here last night at 10 o'clock. Four were rescued and the police believe the others were drowned. One body has been recovered. The car was taken out within half an hour with its lights blazing merrily, but no bodies were found in it.

The car owner and driver, a youth named George Darril, was looking up a charge of driving while drunk. The other three, John Agar, V. P. Murphy and Robert Brown, were given treatment at a hospital and allowed to go. The police say all were under the influence of liquor.

The accident was noted and the alarm quickly brought the police and a wrecking truck. Men swimming in the water were rescued and chains speedily fastened to the car, which was sunk in fourteen feet of water.

The survivors, who do not know the names of the men in the car with them save one, a George Brown.

WOUNDED WIFE DYING.

Mrs. Michellina Nachesi, 31, of 226 East 108th street, whose husband, Antonio, a junk dealer, recently attacked her with a knife, according to the police, was removed to Reception Hospital last night. It is thought her wounds may prove fatal.

HOUSE BONUS VOTE EXPECTED TO DROP

If Roll Call Is Demanded It
May Show Increased
Opposition.

SUPPORT ON DECREASE
Quick Action on Conference
Report Looked For in
Both Branches.

PRESIDENT STANDS FIRM
Believed He Will Promptly
Return Raid Measure With
Veto Message.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
New York Herald Bureau,
Washington, D. C., Sept. 3.

When the Senate and House conferees "got together" on the bonus bill, which will likely take place Tuesday after little debate, the measure will be reported back to the House, where the \$5,000,000,000 Treasury raid originated.

With or without the Senate amendments, the House is expected quickly to give its approval, although it is certain that the sentiment in favor of the measure has subsided to a great extent in that branch of Congress.

Many of those who saw in the support of the bonus raid a chance to win votes have been disillusioned by recent primaries, when the electorate cast in the discard many Congressmen who voted to add a \$5,000,000,000 burden to the already overtaxed people.

In all probability the conference report on the bonus bill will be adopted by a viva voce vote or else a rising vote. However, should a roll call be demanded it undoubtedly will show many more than 70 votes—the number cast against the bonus bill when it passed the House on March 23, in opposition.

In fact some of the House leaders expressed the opinion that at least 140 votes would be recorded against it.

After the House approves the conference report it will be sent to the Senate, where speedy action is expected. Then the measure will be sent to the White House, where it is certain to receive a cold reception by President Harding. He has 10 days within which to sign the bill if he wishes to make it a law.

However, the President is standing firm in his opposition to the measure, and the indications are he will take little time in rejecting the measure on the ground that it is ill-advised and unwise legislation at this time. It is expected that he will return the measure to Congress with his "disapproval," accompanied by a message setting forth in unmistakable language his reason for rejecting the bill. Then the fight will be waged all over again in the House and the Senate but on a minor scale.

Here is the rule of Congress setting forth the procedure which will be followed in the consideration of the bonus bill after it goes to the White House: "If the President disapproves he is to return it, with his objections, to the House in which it shall have originated, who are to enter the objections at large on their journal and proceed to reconsider it. If after such reconsideration two-thirds of that House shall agree to pass the bill it shall be sent, together with the President's objections, to the other House, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered and if approved by two-thirds of that House it shall become a law."

If any bill shall not be returned by the President within ten days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to him, the same shall be a law in like manner as if he had signed it, unless Congress by adjournment prevents its return, in which case it shall not become a law."

**TWO MEN ARE DROWNED
IN NEW YORK WATERS**

Coney Island Claims One and
Woodlands Lake Other.

Two persons were drowned and several rescued yesterday in the waters about New York. All the beaches are crowded with bathers.

James Green of 440 East 141st street, a clerk, went rowing in Woodlands Lake at Ardsley yesterday afternoon during an outing of employees of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. The boat tipped and Green fell into the lake and was drowned. The body was recovered.

Coroner Edward Fitzgerald of Westchester county made an investigation yesterday into the drowning of Francis Sabella, 19, a student in a private school near Ossining. The boy was the son of a wealthy Mexican family. His body was found under a boat, which was tied to the shore. The coroner concluded death was accidental.

Dominick Romano, 17, of 913 Flushing avenue, Brooklyn, was drowned yesterday while swimming off Coney Island.

Alexander Orinstein, 16, of 248 Eighth street, Brooklyn, struck his head on the bottom of the swimming pool at the Palace of Joy in Coney Island. Seven stitches were needed to close the wound.

**PASSENGERS LEAP FROM
BUS AS IT CATCHES FIRE**

Gasoline Ignited Mysteriously
at Filling Station.

Forty men and women on their way to Coney Island jumped from a sightseeing bus in panic last night when caught fire before a service station at 150 West Thirty-seventh street.

The bus, operated by the Rialto Sightseeing Company of 1383 Broadway, had taken on the passengers in the theater district. Murray Edelbaum, the chauffeur, drove around to the service station for gasoline. He was filling the tank under the front seat when the gasoline was ignited in some mysterious manner, causing flames to shoot high in the air.

Firemen were summoned by Patrolman Boyd and quenched the fire after it had burned away the two front seats. The driver, in killing Kane's skull, was killed yesterday morning in a fight with a friend on the platform of a subway station at Fifty-ninth street, Brooklyn. Edward Lambert, 27, a pressman, of 7127 Fifth avenue, was arrested on a charge of homicide and held without bail.

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**BROOKLYN MAN KILLED
IN FRIENDLY SCUFFLE**

Skull Fractured When He
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Jerome Kane, 26, of 1534 East Fourteenth street, Brooklyn, a photographer, was killed yesterday morning in a fight with a friend on the platform of a subway station at Fifty-ninth street, Brooklyn. Edward Lambert, 27, a pressman, of 7127 Fifth avenue, was arrested on a charge of homicide and held without bail.

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Friends of Lambert and Kane told the police the blows were struck in fun.

Armies of Marshals Watch for Violations

CHICAGO, Sept. 3. (Associated Press).—Extra forces of deputies have been sworn in by United States Marshal Robert R. Levy and are being sent to railroad shops and terminals to watch for acts forbidden by the order handed down by Federal Judge Wilkerson.

A thousand writs were prepared in the Federal building and sent to all parts of the country for service on the labor leaders named in the injunction.

B. M. Jewell, head of the shopmen, could not be found and it was reported he was in the East. John Scott, secretary of the shopmen, remained at his desk at the union headquarters.

"I haven't violated any law," he said. "This organization never did sanction or condone violence. But we are going to carry on the work of the organization without fear or tremor, and I don't believe the injunction is intended to restrain us from so doing."

**SAYS ANOTHER IS FATHER
OF HIS WIFE'S CHILD**

Notre Dame Professor Causes
Arrest of Merchant.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 3.—Harry Poulin, wealthy clothing merchant, was released from jail today on \$2,000 bond after having been arrested yesterday on charges made by Prof. John T. Tiernan of the Law School at the University of Notre Dame, who accused Poulin of being the father of a child born to Mrs. Tiernan in November, 1921.

Prof. Tiernan announced a fight to a finish to force the merchant to acknowledge and support the child. Poulin denied the charge against him and accused the professor of blackmail.

"I am innocent of the slanderous charge," Poulin, who is the father of two children, declared. "This is a case of blackmail, which has been in progress for eight months. As soon as the child was born Tiernan approached me with a demand for money with which to pay the medical fee in connection with the birth of Mrs. Tiernan's child."

"This I naturally refused to do, for the reason that I am not the father. Later Tiernan, through an attorney, proposed to settle the case on payment of a lump sum, offering to drop the matter then without forcing me to make any admissions. I certainly will fight."

"Harry Poulin was my trusted friend," said Prof. Tiernan, who, like Poulin, is the father of two children. "He took of my hospitality and enjoyed my confidence. I believe he enjoyed the respect of the community. After I have obtained a monetary settlement for this child I shall use my best efforts as a citizen to have him expelled from the community."

**FIREMAN'S HONEYMOON
ENDS WITH A CRASH**

Gong Rings, Bride Joins Him
in Car, Then—Bang!

Frank Coran, Jr., of Wantagh, L. I., with his bride, Vera, got home from his honeymoon this afternoon. He was welcomed by his brother, William, and ten minutes later by a fire call. Being a volunteer fireman and custodian of the Wantagh hose cart, which is kept in his back yard, Coran responded promptly.

He hitched his automobile to the hose cart, which is a trailer, and started for the fire, which was in a barn in North Bellmore. His wife took her place in the seat beside him, and Brother William hung on the side of the automobile.

On Wantagh avenue the automobile collided with another which was parked for repairs in front of a garage. William Coran was thrown to the ground. His ankle was broken and his back sprained. His brother received minor bruises and his wife a slight shaking up.

The fire was put out by a stable boy.

**GIRL DENIES ENTICING
BERGEN TO HIS DEATH**

Says She Did Not Know
Shooting Was Coming.

Miss Alice Thornton denied yesterday that she asked Jack Bergen, motion picture actor, to the home of George Cline, motion picture director, on the night of August 25, when full knowledge that there was going to be a shooting.

She said Bergen knew she was going to be at Cline's home in Edgewater that night, and that she knew Bergen was going to be there, but that all the arrangements for the meeting were made by Cline himself.

"As I understood it," said Miss Thornton, "Cline merely wanted me to face Bergen and repeat the story I had told him about Mrs. Cline. It was a matter of whether I would say to Bergen's face what I had said to his back. I supposed that as soon as the fact was established Cline and Bergen would cease to be friends. I was justified in thinking that from the calm manner with which Cline had received my earlier story."

Miss Thornton also denied that late on the night Bergen was shot she talked with three men in the hallway of the apartment house where she lived until about 1 o'clock, and that she said she went home as quickly as possible.

**BUFFALO ACTOR DIES
SUDDENLY IN BROOKLYN**

Rudolph Wagner Stricken After
Eating Meal.

Rudolph Wagner, 57, an actor of 263 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y., became ill last night in the Tompkins avenue station of the Fulton street elevated railway in Brooklyn and died later in St. John's Hospital. Before he became unconscious Wagner told the police that he came here Saturday and that he was a meal in a Brooklyn restaurant and was on his way back to Manhattan when he collapsed. Dr. Kiel, who removed him to the hospital, did not diagnose his illness.

**HOST HURT ATTACKING
2 UNWELCOME GUESTS**

Maggio Goes to Hospital and
Visitors to Jail.

Giacomo Maggio, 41, a coal and ice dealer, returned to his home at 417 West Fifty-third street last night and started to eject two men who were being entertained there. The trio engaged in a struggle which resulted in Maggio being removed to Flower Hospital suffering from a broken arm.

The guests, William Langin, 19, of 147 West Sixty-seventh street and James Sheehan, 21, of 303 West 145th street were arrested on charges of felonious assault.

WOMAN IS SEEKING POINDEXTER'S SEAT

Mrs. Frances C. Axtell Is Senatorial
Candidate in Republican
Primary.

SEATTLE, Sept. 3.—The question of whether Miles PoinDEXTER, the junior United States Senator from Washington, who was swept into office on the Bull Moose tide in 1910, will be returned to office is the outstanding one in the State primary election September 12. One of his opponents for the Republican nomination is a woman, Mrs. Frances Cleveland Axtell of Bellingham.

Senator PoinDEXTER, who has been engaged for weeks in a vigorous speaking campaign throughout the State, asserts that "newspaper and labor houses" are responsible for charges that he was recreant to Progressive principles when he raised large campaign funds, voted for the four Power treaty and for the seating of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan.

The opposition to Senator PoinDEXTER centers around two personalities, one in the Republican party in Mrs. Axtell and the other in the Democratic party, Clarence Dill of Spokane, a former Representative in Congress.

Mrs. Axtell was the first woman member of the Washington Legislature, her term beginning in 1913. From 1917 to 1921 she was a member of the Federal Employees Compensation Commission, and is chairman of the Washington State Organization for Reduction of Armament by International Agreement.

She declares that she represents "the

general protest against the reactionary record of Senator PoinDEXTER," denounces the seating of Senator Newberry, asserts that the Senate has been indifferent to the welfare of farmers and promises to work for a soldier's bonus, child welfare legislation, upholding the Volstead law and for the avoidance of entangling foreign relations.

Mrs. Axtell's campaign began with endorsements by a group of representatives of the Railway Men's Political Club, a Statewide association of organizations with 19,000 members, and by the State Federation of Labor and the State Grange. Her opponents assert that members of this group, which is styled the Conference for Progressive Political Action, and which met on a Sunday with but a scanty previous announcement seemed to represent only the world war. He was a member of the rank and file of labor, according to the opponents, are for George H. Lamping, a member of the Seattle Port Commission. Lamping's appeal to the public is a claim that he is the author of a bonus received from the State by all men and women who enlisted from Washington in the fighting services in the World War. He was a member of the State Senate when the bill was passed.

George H. Stevenson and Austin E. Griffiths of Seattle and Lee Tittle of Yakima, are the other Republican candidates. Griffiths is a Superior Court judge and once was a candidate for Mayor.

Former Representative Dill is a Spokane lawyer who was private secretary to Gov. Ernest Lister in 1913 and 1914 and was in Congress from 1915 to 1919. In Congress he voted against the declaration of war with Germany, a fact which his opponents in the Democratic Senatorial race are using against him.

A picturesque candidate for the Democratic nomination is James Cleveland Longstreet, of Port Townsend, who is an inmate of a Government hospital in Colorado for lung trouble incurred by service in the World War, and announces that he will not return to

Washington this season, but will conduct his campaign from his bed. In 1918 while in France with an engineering outfit he ran for Congress. Lyman Swoley, of Bellingham, is the third Democratic aspirant.

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